## Project of Independent Utility #11 US 231 from US 52 to I-65

**Tippecanoe County** 



**Proposed Improvement:** New Road Construction

Purpose and Need: Capacity

**Priority:** High

**Schedule:** Mid-term: The need for this project will exist with the construction of US 231 from SR 26 to US 52 and development in White County. The environmental phase of this project should be accelerated in order to catch up with the project development of the southern project. The programming of this project is dependant on available funding, future growth in White County and execution of appropriate relinquishment agreements with Tippecanoe County and White County.

## **Estimated Traffic (2025):**

US 52 to I-65 - 19,000 vpd

**Phasing:** Due to the size of the project, construction could be broken into two phases:

Phase 1: US 231/US 52 interchange construction

Phase 2: New road from US 52 to I-65

**Preliminary Cost:** \$60,000,000

**Programmed Alternative:** A new terrain alignment for US 231 is included in INDOT's and Lafavette's long range plans. This new terrain alignment would tie to the US 52 intersection identified in the environmental study, which is underway for US 231 from SR 26 to US 52. Future growth north of Lafayette drives the need for a new terrain alignment, which will extend US 231 northward from US 52 to I-65. The Lafayette MPO has suggested that the alignment be extended to SR 43. The new terrain alignment will be a four lane section with median. It should be constructed to 4R standards. A new interchange will be constructed at I-65. An interchange at US 52 should be considered. The remaining access points will be at-grade intersections at selected public road approaches. Proper channelization and turn lanes shall be provided. Limited access right-of-way shall be purchased to minimize access points.